Exercise 1: Designate Your Strategic Leadership Team

**Objective(s) for participants:**

* Identify the members of the strategic leadership team.
* Develop a strategy for engaging each member to support NGSS adoption and implementation.
* Identify the role(s) each member can play in creating an overall vision, timeline, adoption strategy and phase-in strategy for implementation. Discuss existing mechanisms that strategic leadership team members can use to execute, monitor and reinforce the state’s efforts.

**Instructions:**

* Brainstorm possible members of the strategic leadership team, casting the widest net possible.
* Narrow the list by excluding those who would be unlikely to support the work.
* Evaluate the list using criteria such as diversity, balance, potential to work together, etc.

**Materials needed:**

Flipchart paper

* Markers

**Template for Exercise 1**

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| **Potential Member of the Strategic Leadership Team** | **Current Level ofEngagement and Awareness of the NGSS (very low, low, high, very high)** | **Sphere of Influence (content knowledge, policy expertise, stakeholder engagement, etc.)** | **Specific Role** | **Next Steps** |
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